

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 20, 2021**

**Members present via Zoom:** Bob Moody (Chair), Beth Llewellyn (Vice-Chair), Tom Sloan (Treasurer), Jim Brooke (Secretary), Larry McElwain, Pat Miller, Dr. Shari Quick, Dr. Beth Roselyn, Russ Johnson, Sheryle D'Amico, Traci Hoopingarner, Janette Kirkpatrick, Deb Cartwright, Brian Bradfield, Colleen Browne, Jared Abel, Michael Williams, Rebecca Smith and Andy Ramirez (Hospital Counsel)

**Other attendees via Zoom:** Danae Johnson, Christine Reed, Amy Northrop, Autumn Bishop, Korianne Kaleikini, Dr. Christina Salazar, Dr. Jodi Palmer, Dr. Adam Goodyear, Dr. Dale Denning and Chad Lawhorn (LJ World)

**Excused:** Dr. Jim Mandigo

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m.

**Opening Statement**

The following opening statement was read by Danae Johnson, Director – Executive Administration:

“Good morning. Thank you for joining the LMH Health Board of Trustees meeting. Before we get started, we’d like to outline a few important procedural details for this meeting:

- LMH Health Board of Trustees welcomes community feedback on policies and issues affecting its clinics and the hospital. In order to ensure time is used efficiently, we will not take public comments during the meeting. However, comments may be shared with board members in a number of different ways, including the comments section of our webpage, by emailing trustees@lmh.org, by calling 785-505-6138, or by contacting individual trustees with the contact information listed on our website at lmh.org.
- During the meeting, each meeting participant will identify themselves using their first and last name prior to commenting.
- Roll call will be taken for voting on each item requiring board action.
- We will not be having an executive session at this meeting.
- If members of the public wish to obtain meeting materials, please contact email trustees@lmh.org or call 785-505-6138.”

**Approval of Agenda and Consent Agenda**

The agenda for the January 20, 2021 meeting and consent agenda (see below) were presented for review with approval requested.

- The following were presented for approval as part of the consent agenda:
  - Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes, Dec. 16, 2020
  - Finance Committee meeting minutes, Jan. 18, 2021
  - Medical Executive Committee Recommendations:

**MEDICAL STAFF & ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STAFF - New Appointments:**

**Scott Barber, DDS** (Active Admitting; Surgery; Oral Maxillofacial) – Initial appointment 1/20/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Ravinder Sohal, MD** (Consulting; Tele-radiology) – Initial appointment 1/20/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Matthew Hastings, MD** (Consulting; Internal Medicine/Remote Neuro-Monitoring) – Initial appointment 1/20/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Angela Cloud, APRN** (LMH Employee) – Initial appointment 1/20/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Maureen Yost, APRN** (LMH Employee) – Initial appointment 1/20/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**MEDICAL & LMH EMPLOYEE/ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STAFF – Reappointments:**

**Christine Charles, MD** (Consulting; Medicine) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Michelle DeNault, MD** (Consulting; Medicine) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Joseph Hawkins, MD** (Active Admitting; Family Practice) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Janice Hwang, MD** (Consulting; Radiology) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Roi Lotan, MD** (Consulting; Radiology) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Suzanne Newman, MD** (Consulting; Medicine) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Maribeth Orr, DO** (Active Non-Admitting; Family Practice) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Harold Taylor, MD** (Active Admitting; Medicine) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Ravi Yarlagadda, MD** (Active Admitting; Medicine) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Megan Amyx, APRN** (Internal Medicine Group; Employee) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Grant Miller, PA** (OrthoKansas; Employee) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Racquel Szabo, PA** (Plastic Surgery Specialists of Lawrence; Employee) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**Jamin Tenbrink, CRNA** (Lawrence Anaesthesia; AHP) – Reappointment 2/1/21 not to exceed 2 years.

**FOCUSED PRACTITIONER PRACTICE EVALUATIONS:**

**Kara Joice, PA** – (OrthoKansas) – Privilege additions of “orthopedic duties.”

**Jennifer Baum, PA** – (Emergency Department) – Initial

**Benjamin Cross, MD** – (Emergency Department) - Initial

**Brandon Ricke, MD** – (Emergency Department) - Initial

Tele-Radiologists – Initial:

**Kevin Carmen, MD; Christine Charles, MD; Venkata Diddi, MD; Suzanne Newman, MD; Stefani Parrisbalogun, MD; Sara Puening, MD; Ali Samee, MD and Michele Siegele, MD**

**PRIVILEGE &/or STATUS CHANGES & RESIGNATIONS:**

**Victor Castro, MD** – Locums Cardiologist, Resignation effective 11/24/2020

**Leana Guerin, MD** – LMH Pathology - Resignation effective 12/31/2020

**Donald Hatton, MD** – Reed Internal Medicine - Resignation effective 12/31/2020.

**Gregory Orth, MD** – LMH Radiology; Resignation effective 12/31/2020.

**Justin Ly, MD** – StatRad Tele-Radiologist; Resignation effective 12/23/2020.

**Cherie O’Halloran, APRN** – Sunflower Neonatology - Resignation effective 11/30/2020.

**Kimberly Todd, PA** – McLouth Medical Clinic – Requests maternity leave effective 11/20/20 – 3/1/2020.

MOTION to approve the agenda and consent agenda.

Made by Tom Sloan,

Seconded by Pat Miller.

Motion carried.

**Chairperson of the Board Report**

Bob Moody, Chair, spoke about the perceived tension amongst community partners about distribution of the vaccinations. He reiterated that all healthcare entities are working with the common goal of getting everyone our community vaccinated.

**Chief of Staff Report**

No report.

### **CEO Report**

Russ Johnson, President and CEO, acknowledged the mixed feelings throughout the community on the vaccine phases and distribution. He reported that LMH Health and other community partner teams are working tirelessly to vaccinate our community as quickly and safely as possible.

### **Discussion Items**

- **Strategic Clinical Relationship:**
  - Mr. Johnson updated the Board on the work strategic clinical relationship committee. Mr. Johnson reminded the Board about the guardrails that LMH Health is working within while exploring a strategic relationship:
    - We will not relinquish our independence, governance and ownership and management.
    - In our marketplace, we will be the entity for final authority for decision making.
    - A relationship will not inhibit our purpose or our tenets of strategy or cultural beliefs on how we want to function.
    - This isn't about telling medical staff where to refer patients; that remains an important clinical decision between physician and patient, and is up to physician judgement for the best patient care.
    - We won't pick a partner that makes us weaker through the process.
  - Over the last four months, LMH Health has had intensive conversations about this across 3 service lines: Cardiology, Oncology and Musculoskeletal. The physicians discussed visions for the musculoskeletal, oncology and cardiology service lines, their development and the strategic process. Dr. Dale Denning shared his thoughts about the exploration process, which has been underway for the last 18 months. In his comments, Dr. Denning emphatically reiterated that LMH Health is not for sale.
  - Clinicians will have opportunities to hear more from the team through a series of upcoming meetings for clinical areas – primary care, medical specialists, surgical specialists and hospital-based providers.
- **Regional Strategy:** Mr. Johnson also briefly discussed regional strategy, looking at our current activity and where we're headed in the next one to two years.
  - The MSK service line is engaged in outreach efforts in Emporia, Holton and Winchester; recruiting an outreach orthopedist for Emporia; exploring the potential for expansion into Topeka; and building the OrthoKansas brand across the region.
  - Oncology is currently providing services in Ottawa. With the absorption of Ransom Memorial Hospital into the AdventHealth system, we are looking at opportunities there.
  - Other specialists are already receiving regional referrals, including ENT, plastic surgery and spine.

### **COVID and Unified Command Update**

- Traci Hoopingarner, Vice President Clinical Care and CNO, reported on the ongoing activities that the hospital is managing in response to COVID-19.
- Brian Bradfield, Associate Vice President – Ancillary Services, reported on Phase 1 and 2 vaccination plans.

### **Open Discussion**

Mr. Johnson introduced Erica Hill, Director - Equity, Inclusion and Diversity Director, and described her new role.

**Adjournment**

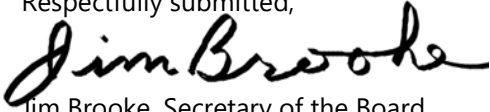
With no further business presented, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

MOTION made by Tom Sloan,

Seconded by Rob Chestnut.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jim Brooke".

Jim Brooke, Secretary of the Board